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1. Armament Plant "A"

1. The armament plant ("A" on sketch) covers an area of 3,500 x 1,000 feet and has four workshops, each about 330 x 130 feet in size.
2. Production, which was started in the fall of 1946, included rotating cast iron gun rings which were manufactured at the rate of one hundred pieces per shift.
3. There were approximately one thousand men, including PW's, in each of the three 8-hour shifts.

II. Armament Plant "B"

4. The armament plant, designated "B", on sketch covers an area of 4,000 x 1,000 feet and includes four workshops, each of 500 x 130 feet.

5. The steel, concrete and brick buildings were erected after the war.

6. About a thousand men were employed in each of the three 8-hour shifts.

7. Production of the plant, confined to ball mounts 1-foot diameter, began in the fall of 1946. Seventy (?) of these mounted were produced in each shift.

III. Foundry

8. The foundry, "C" on sketch, consisted of three "workshops", each 260 x 100 feet.

IV. Scrap Dump

9. The scrap dump, "D" on sketch, covers an area of 650 x 260 feet and includes two scaling shops, each of 260 x 100 feet. It was used for storage of old war material, scrap, old machinery and scrap cast iron.

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V. Passenger Railroad Station

10. The passenger railroad station, marked "E" on sketch, was damaged during the war and has been completely restored. It now consists of a two-story building 160 x 65 feet in size. There are three railroad tracks, each about 330 feet long.

VI. Former Textile Plant *

11. The former textile plant is designated "F" on sketch. It consists of two two-story buildings, each of 260 x 130 feet. These buildings were erected on the site of a former textile factory which had been destroyed during the war.

12. Approximately two hundred German lathes, planers and machine tools have been placed in the former textile plant since the summer of 1947.

VII. School

13. The school "G" on sketch, is a 200 x 130-foot, three-story building.

VIII. Railroad Station Square

14. The railroad station square is marked "H" on sketch and covers an area of 650 x 330 feet.

IX. Railroad Yards

15. The yards are designated "J" on sketch. They cover an area of 1,600 x 160 feet. There are three workshops, each of 260 x 100 feet, a 650-foot long loading ramp, and a crane with a lifting capacity of 5 tons.

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Comment:

* a. Prior to the war the textile plant produced linen cloth, specializing in the production of airplane linen.

b. There was a railroad car plant in ŻYRARDÓW in 1939 but no further reports have been received on this installation.

1 Annex: Plants in ŻYRARDÓW

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